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Catherine Ecker, Catechist

Advent



FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 21st, 2014

"Forever I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord."

Psalter IV



Parents wishing to baptize their children at Holy Family are invited to approach either Fr. Larry, Fr. David, or Deacon Robert after any of the Sunday masses to obtain a Baptism Preparation Package. Parents are reminded that baptisms are not celebrated during the liturgical season of Lent.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION Enrolment Ceremony

All candidates preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation are reminded of the enrolment ceremony that will be celebrated at each Sunday (Saturday) mass on December 20th/21st, 2014. You participate in the enrolment only once. Please bring your letter to Father Larry with you to the enrolment.

CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

We know that the wedding day for a couple is filled with joy, anticipation and hope. The sacrament of marriage begins on the wedding day and then for the rest of their lives the couple learn how to live the sacrament. The married couples in our parish are a sign to us of God's faithfulness and through their witness we are strengthened. If you have celebrated wedding anniversary in December, we shall pray with you and share in your joy on Saturday December 27th, at 5:00 pm or on Sunday December 28th at 8:30 am, 10:00 am or 12:00 noon. Please join us in thanking God for the gift of the married couples in our midst.

STEWARDSHIP

In the first reading, God promises King David that his house and his kingdom will endure forever. It is through Mary's "yes" that the promise finds fulfillment.



The Family of Faith campaign is underway here at Holy Family Parish.

In addition to providing the resources to support our own parish needs, the campaign will address critical priorities that will benefit Catholics all across the Archdiocese of Toronto:

- developing leaders through Catholic formation and engagement;
- restoring St. Michael's Cathedral;
- investing in our youth, young adult ministry and campus chaplaincies;
- funding to aid existing church properties with extraordinary maintenance needs to keep them safe and secure;
- helping to continue to build new churches throughout the archdiocese.

The Family of Faith campaign will help our parish too. For each dollar raised, our parish will receive 25 cents. When we exceed our goal, we will keep 75 per cent of every dollar above our goal. With the parish share of the money raised, we plan to:

- replace our sound system.
- renovate the hall kitchen;
- support the Exchange.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASSES

Couples scheduled to be married at Holy Family Parish in 2015, are asked to register for marriage classes. The classes will begin Thursday, January 15th, 2015, 7:30 - 9:30 pm, and will finish Thursday, March 5th, 2015. The cost is \$150.00 per couple. For further information, please call the parish office, 905-857-1938.

ADVENT: A SEASON OF DEVOUT AND EXPECTANT DELIGHT A Prayer for the Fourth Week of Advent



Before your family meal, light all four candles on your Advent wreath. If you do not have an Advent Wreath, you may light a taper before you pray.

Come, O Radiant Dawn, sun of justice, and fill us with your saving light.

On Christmas Eve, the wreath can be renewed with new ribbon and the candles replaced with new white votives for use during the Christmas season.



CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Wednesday December 24th
4:00pm, 6:00pm, 10:00pm, Midnight

Thursday December 25th
10:00am, 12:00 noon

Friday December 26th
10:00am

Merry Christmas!
Fr. Larry, Fr. David,
Deacon Robert and Gabrielle,
Catherine, Stephanie and Lydia
Deanna, Lucas, Frankie, JP,
Nello and Betty

**CELEBRATING THE
FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY
Sunday December 28th, 2014**

Strap on your skates and join us for an afternoon of skating and fun at the Albion Bolton Community Centre. The Knights of Columbus of Holy Family Parish are sponsoring a free skate for all families and parishioners, from 3:00-5:00pm, with free hot chocolate and donuts.

At 7:00pm we will show the movie, *Mary of Nazareth*. Please join us as we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family.



**NEW YEAR'S EVE
COMMUNITY DANCE**



**Humber River Hall
50 Ann Street, Bolton
9:00pm - 1:00am**

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus of Holy Family Parish. All ages are welcome! light buffet, cash bar, dancing! Cost - \$20.00/pp. For tickets please call Ron Frank, 905-857-7130, or frank_6@sympatico.ca.

MOMS & TOTS



Moms, dads and caregivers with babies and toddlers are invited every Wednesday morning,

9:30 am - 12:00 noon for refreshments and fellowship Please join Deacon Robert and his wife Gabrielle for fun, frivolity and a "cuppa". Bring the kids. We have a great selection of toys!

**MISSION PROJECT
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC**

This January, Stephanie will have the privilege of travelling with St. Michael's SS Bolton to the Dominican Republic. This project will allow us to participate in a week long intensive humanitarian mission. We will be spending the week visiting the bateys, which are small villages housing sugar cane cutters of Haitian descent and their families. We will also be working alongside these refugees, helping out and staying at the local nunnery. The ultimate goal is TO BE with the people, letting them know, through our presence, that we care. We are currently collecting donations to bring with us to help support the community and you could help. If you are able to provide any of the following, please drop them off at the church. Thank you so much in advance for your help!

Medical Supplies

Pain medication, tea tree oil, antacids, vitamins, Polysporin, elastic bandages, allergy medications, cough syrup, child medications, headache tablets

Toiletries

Combs, brushes, shampoo & conditioner, soap, feminine hygiene products, razors, adult diapers, body lotion.

School Supplies

Pencils, sharpeners, coloured pencils, rulers, scissors, craft materials, line notebooks.

Children's Playthings

Skipping ropes, marbles, yo-yo's, colouring books, playdoh, kites, hair accessories, nail polish.

As always, thank you for your support and generosity! God bless!!

VOCATIONS

"Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife...when Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him." Are you willing to respond as Joseph did? If God is calling you to ministerial service, contact vocations@vocations.ca

ROOTED

Holy Family Parish welcomes all parishioners in Grades 3-5 to join this interactive, fun, and faith-based ministry. Next Rooted is Saturday January 10th, at 10:00 am.



Fridays at 7:00pm

The Edge is open to students in grades 6, 7 & 8.

The EDGE resumes January 9th, 2015



Saturdays 5:00pm Mass

Life Teen is open to all high school students.

Life Teen resumes January 10th, 2015



Monday, December 22nd

7:00pm †Ernest Biason
Requested by Mary & Family
†Paul Chodura
Requested by Lucy Chodura

Reconciliation follows Mass

Tuesday, December 23rd

10:00am †Tersa & Mariangela Ierullo
Requested by their family

Wednesday December 24th **Christmas Eve**

4:00pm, 6:00pm, 10:00pm and Midnight

Thursday, December 25th **Christmas Day**

10:00am, 12:00 noon

Friday, December 26th

10:00am †Andrew Torrone and in
Thanksgiving to St. Jude
Requested by Rosie

Saturday, December 27th

5:00pm

Sunday, December 28th

8:30am, 10:00am, 12:00noon

SANCTUARY LAMPS

(December 17th - December 23rd)

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